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Israel, Mart fail to agree on free trade guidelines

By JACK MAURICE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BRUSSELS. — Israel and the Common Market countries last night adjourned two days of negotiations here, after failing to agree on broad lines of how to set up a Mediterranean free-trade area.

The Israel and European negotiating teams decided to resume talks on October 1 in a bid to meet the Nine's deadline of December 31 for finding a formula for the removal of trade barriers.

The Israel negotiators, headed by Common Market Ambassador Moshe Alon, have followed a lead already taken by Spain this week in rejecting the Nine's proposals as inadequate.

The EEC watchdog commission is urging Israel to agree to July 1, 1977, as the time limit for dismantling tariffs on exports of industrial and agricultural products. However, for 20 per cent of Israel's exports to Europe — mainly textiles and bromides — the Nine offer a further two years' breathing space.

Israel has replied to this offer by proposing a gradual dismantling of tariffs on 60 per cent of her industrial imports with 1985 as a target date for eliminating them altogether.

Israel proposes removing tariffs on the remaining 40 per cent of her industrial imports between 1978 and 1989.

But Israel is making this counterproposal dependent on an improvement of the EEC's offer of a 60 per cent preference on citrus and fruit juices and a preference of be-

tween 30 and 60 per cent on carrots, strawberries, avocados, celery and melons.

Israel wants the Nine to bring preferences on citrus into line with the 80 per cent level applied to imports from the North African Arab countries, Tunisia, Morocco and Algeria. The three Maghreb countries are scheduled to open negotiations with the Nine here next week on terms for entering a Mediterranean free-trade area.

The majority view among the nine Common Market missions in Brussels last night was that Israel's industry was perfectly capable of looking after itself on the terms offered by the EEC.

But the watchdog executive commission of EEC has warned member countries that Israel is unlikely to move very far towards the community's viewpoint between now and the next negotiating session in October.

The Nine are particularly alarmed by Israel's demand for equal treatment with the three Maghreb countries, as they foresee trouble on this issue with their principal European protector, France.

The EEC is also concerned about Israel's demand for scientific and technological cooperation, as this is not provided for in the mandate which the commission has received for the current negotiations.

It seems unlikely the EEC will retreat from its original proposals between now and October. Senior officials are due to go on holiday and last night they laughed off sug-

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Strike hurts oil supply, say shippers

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — Shipping companies warned yesterday that the country's fuel supply would be endangered if the Merchant Marine Officers Union continue their partial strike on oil tankers in Eilat. The Union stopped overtime work on the tankers on Sunday, leaving an eight hour work day which slows down discharge to one-third the normal speed.

At a press conference, attended by representatives of the Eilat, Eilat and Maritime Freight Carriers Cos. the shippers urged the public to exert pressure on the officers, whom they accused of throttling the country in order to force concessions on impossible demands. They said they had informed the Government of the situation, which was becoming graver by the hour, and had also called on the Histadrut to exert its authority over the Union.

Mr. Michael Teur, board chairman of Eilat, who spoke on behalf of

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The almost casual scene at Mahane Yehuda market, Jerusalem, yesterday morning, as border police check papers of Arabs following the explosion of a home-made Molotov cocktail there. (Story page 3) (Rahamim Yisraeli)

Minor terrorist acts likely in coming months

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

Security circles warned yesterday that an increase in terrorist activity can be expected in the next few months. The incidents are likely to be minor mainly crude home-made explosives placed in public places, such as yesterday's attempted murder in Jerusalem's Mahane Yehuda market (see page 3).

For the previous two years, there has been a slight rise in the number of such incidents between June and October — the months of the Summer Visits Programme, and when students studying at A.R.A.B. universities return to Israel for the holidays. In 1971, there were nine incidents during these four months (as compared with five in the following five months); while in 1972 there were 10 incidents as compared with three between October and February.

The public is advised to be alert, and to inform the police if it sees anything suspicious.

While visitors from across the

bridges for the summer programme, and returning students, do not, it is believed, bring arms, explosives or ammunition into Israel and the administered territories, it is thought that some of them encourage dormant local groups with ideology and money, to take a more active part in the fight against Israel. They give crash courses on home-made explosives, such as the Molotov Cocktail which exploded in Jerusalem yesterday, and the crude charges found in Haifa earlier this week.

It is also thought that some of the visitors set up "action groups" among youngsters in the territories which try to stir up anti-Israel feelings and distribute literature sympathetic to the terrorists.

The visitors themselves are subjected to stringent security searches when crossing into Israel and, according to security circles, the chances of explosives or ammunition being smuggled into Israel or the territories are very slight.

Libyan 'marchers' push forward despite warning

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter

A horde of over 30,000 Libyans last night rolled towards the Egyptian frontier, expressing determination to press President Anwar Sadat into accepting a full merger with Libya by next September 1. Despite Egypt's warning it would not permit the advance of the Arab-type army beyond its Mediterranean coast town of Mersa Matruh, the Libyans defiantly declared that their "unity march" was carrying on with its plans to reach Cairo. The procession had earlier pushed through Libya's main towns including Tripoli and Benghazi, swelling to what was described by the Libyan state radio as a seemingly endless convoy.

The cavalcade was expected at the Egyptian border late last night. Tripoli radio earlier warned that the marchers would tear down frontier barriers to break their way into Egypt to demand a complete merger. "They are determined to carry on the march to Cairo," the radio said of the Libyans who appeared to be dazed by their leader Mu'ammer Gaddafi's latest blow in the newly launched "cultural revolution."

The Libyan radio asserted that the marchers would go ahead with plans to stage a "revolutionary situation" outside the Egyptian presidential

headquarters in Cairo until President Sadat responded to a merger petition written in blood.

Cairo yesterday maintained complete silence on the progress of the march. It was not clear last night how the Egyptian authorities would react to the Libyan defiance of Sadat's demand that it be stopped. The Egyptian authorities said that they would allow the procession to go only as far as Mersa Matruh and that they would be prepared to receive a delegation of not more than 100 representatives to discuss the marchers' petitions.

The Egyptian press yesterday expressed astonishment at the march, stressing that Libyan leader Gaddafi had just agreed with Sadat to delay the merger plans for one year.

Egyptian political leaders, though not Mr. Sadat, are expected to head this morning to Mersa Matruh to reassert their country's call for a gradual union with Libya within a federal framework. Nevertheless, the politicians' main task remains to persuade the marchers to return home before the Egyptian authorities and it necessary to employ force to disperse them.

El Al thwarts terrorists bid in Athens

ATHENS. — A young ex-Palestinian terrorist left Athens for Kuwait last night on a safe conduct flight after a thwarted lone raid on the El Al airline office and tense bargaining for the lives of 17 hostages.

The Greek Government bowed to his safe conduct demand after he had threatened to kill 17 hostages he held for more than four hours in a central hotel.

The terrorist, who refused to be identified, freed the captives but insisted that two Arab diplomats and the chief of police accompany him to the airport, where he flew out on a Kuwait Airways plane.

The terrorist was escorted to the airport by the Athens police chief, the Iraqi Ambassador and the Egyptian Charge d'Affaires.

A police spokesman said: "He insisted on carrying his arms until he boarded the plane." Another report claimed that the Kuwaiti pilot refused to let him board the plane if he was armed.

The terrorist, who had described himself as a victim of a "Zionist occupation organization," admitted during the day-long drama that he had come to Athens to destroy the Israeli airline office, police said. They said the attack failed when his approach was seen by security men inside, who pressed a button locking the bulletproof glass inner door.

The Arab, armed with a Chinese-made Kalashnikov automatic rifle, two hand grenades and two revolvers, tried to force the door but was chased away by civilians and sought refuge in the nearby luxury Amalia Hotel. He fired a burst from his rifle, splattering the walls of the hotel lobby, but hit no one.

The terrorist seized 20 hostages in the main lobby — several of them American tourists — but later released three.

Barreling himself under a staircase with his captives, and priming the hand grenade, he threatened to kill them one by one unless he was granted safe passage out of the country.

"I am not afraid to die," the terrorist told AP correspondent Philip Dopoulos. "I have no desire to live. After I shoot these people, I will pull the pin out of my hand grenade and kill myself and everyone else around."

He negotiated for three hours with the Libyan ambassador and the Iraqi and Egyptian diplomats before the Government agreed to his free departure from Greece.

The only casualty was Superintendent A. Dodos, Chief of Athens' Aliens Police, who shot himself in the leg when pocketing his revolver. He had entered the lobby to offer the terrorist safe conduct and been told to drop the gun.

The drama began outside the El Al office, which is located on Constitution Square near the Parliament building.

Following an attack by Arab terrorists on the office in November, 1969, in which a Greek child was killed and 14 passengers waiting for an airport bus wounded, bulletproof glass and a two-door entrance with an electronic locking system had been installed.

"The security agent saw the man and locked the door by pushing a button. It was a lucky strike," Dov Shumen, El Al manager for Greece, said.



Still holding his sub-machinegun, the unidentified Palestinian who held 17 hostages captive in Athens yesterday is escorted by Greek police from the Amalia Hotel. (AP Radiophoto)

Unable to enter the office, the terrorist ran to the nearby hotel and seized the hostages.

One of the hostages, American pilot Christian Sweetman, said his life was threatened three times by the Arab gunman. "He told me I had five minutes to live and to tell my wife the last command."

Sweetman said one of two policemen also held hostage offered to be executed in his place but that the gunman refused.

The terrorist had claimed, according to one press report, that he had sworn not to reveal his identity and told newsmen that he was "a Palestinian fighter." The police disclosed that the terrorist lived in a modest pension and had given his name there as Fadel Abdul Rashid. The police found a pistol in his room yesterday.

(AP, UPI, INA, Reuters)

Bakr says Kazzar murdered Jews

Jerusalem Post Correspondent

PARIS. — Iraqi President el Bakr told local Communist leaders and Kurds in Baghdad this week, "we know that the former Security chief Nazem Kazzar was responsible for the assassination of innocent Jews," according to a report by Eric Rouleau in yesterday's "Le Monde."

The President added that Kazzar, executed after his abortive coup failed last week, "formed special killer squads without our knowledge... He boasted, when we questioned him, of torturing to death or executing secretly more than 2,000 people."

Maccabiah dances to a close U.S. tells Israel it opposes 242 changes

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter

RAMAT GAN. — The 9th Maccabiah Games ended last night with spontaneous hora dancing and informal revelry of hundreds of the overseas athletes from 27 countries — and an international soccer match in which Uruguay beat Israel 2-1. A crowd of 40,000 turned out to wish farewell to the 1,600 athletes who competed in Maccabiah sports during the past 10 days. The Government's greetings were brought

By DANIEL GOTTILIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

WASHINGTON. — The U.S. assured Israel yesterday that it will oppose any changes or additions to the basic U.N. Middle East resolution during the second phase of the Security Council debate on the Arab-Israeli problem, which begins today (4:30 p.m. Israel time), it was learned.

The U.S. backing for what is essentially the Israeli position came at a meeting yesterday between Assistant Secretary of State Joseph Sisco and Ambassador Simcha Dinitz.

The significance of the U.S. assurance is that Egypt is pressing for some new interpretation or reference to the November 1967 resolution 242 prior to Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim's visit to Israel, Egypt and a number of other Arab capitals.

The Israeli position has been that Dr. Waldheim is welcome on a purely fact-finding mission in his capacity as Secretary-General but not in connection with carrying out any

specific mandate, and particularly not with any reference to the mission of former U.N. envoy Gunnar Jarring — who sought an advance Israel statement on the question of territories.

The U.S. has endorsed the Waldheim visit, but privately officials here are sceptical that it can, in itself, produce any diplomatic movement. Nevertheless, they are willing, in the absence of a positive Egyptian response to the U.S. call for close proximity talks on an interim solution, to yield the stage to Dr. Waldheim.

Western Middle East observers here feel that the Secretary-General's visit would be enhanced if the fire of the Security Council debate can be dampened beforehand. The date of the Waldheim visit has apparently been left vague in order to see how far the Egyptians will go in pushing for a new resolution linking the Waldheim mission to past U.N. initiatives which have come closer to their desires.

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ANITA IS TOPS



TEL AVIV. — Anita Zarnowicki, the Swedish Olympic swimmer star who won an astonishing seven gold medals at the Maccabiah — believed to be a Games record — has been selected as the "Athlete of the Ninth Maccabiah."

Nineteen-year-old Anita's twin brother Bertt gained another two goals in the pool to complete the brilliant achievement of the Swedish pair who between them took nine of Sweden's 11 gold medals and enabled their country to finish fourth in the final medals table.

by Foreign Minister Abba Eban, who addressed the athletes gathered on the stadium field before him in Hebrew, English and Spanish. He stressed the role of the Maccabiah as a unifying factor of Jewry.

After the Maccabiah flame was extinguished, and Yosef Yekutieli, the man credited with conceiving the idea of the Games, received the Maccabiah flag, the athletes began dancing in rondo style. Spontaneously quick took over as hora rings formed.

Athletes ran to photograph the crowds and Vips and groups of competitors began to circle the stadium with their flags to the cheers of the crowds.

A Greek girl presented Mr. Eban and Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshahu with two gold cups.

Finally, after much blowing of whistles by ushers, the field was cleared of athletes and litter, and the game against Uruguay could get under way.

French N-test delay

WELLINGTON (Reuters). — The New Zealand frigate Ottago moved to within 12 miles of the French nuclear test site at Mururoa Atoll and battered down to await the first blast.

New Zealand Press Association correspondent David Barber reported from the warship yesterday morning that the first bomb could be detonated within the hour. But 30 minutes later the Ottago reported that all activity seemed to have stopped at the site, and it appeared the test might have been postponed.

Hoax leads Ervin to announce Nixon freeing Watergate tapes

WASHINGTON. — A hoax telephone call yesterday led the chairman of the Senate Watergate Committee to announce that President Nixon was willing to release tape recordings of his White House conversations when, in fact, no such decision has been made.

An embarrassed Sen. Ervin, D-N.C., conceded that he had been taken in by the hoax, after announcing to the televised Senate inquiry that the controversy over release of the tapes had been resolved.

Sen. Ervin said he got a mid-day telephone call from a man who identified himself as Secretary of the Treasury George Shultz, and who said the President was prepared to release tapes the panel is seeking. He said he assumed it was the real Shultz, but it wasn't.

Ervin said he found that out later, after the White House said it knew nothing of such a decision. The real Shultz then told Ervin he was not the man who telephoned.

It was a bizarre turn in a hearing about the Watergate bugging. "Some people think the telephone is the instrument of the devil anyhow," Sen. Ervin said.

But President Nixon will draft a reply this weekend to the committee's request for tapes of his conversations with former aides implicated in the Watergate scandal, the White House said. But press secretary Ronald Ziegler gave no indication whether Mr. Nixon would decide whether to relinquish the tapes or not.

The tapes sought by the committee presumably record conversations between the President and such men as fired White House Counsel John Dean.

Dean has testified that at a meeting last September 15 in Mr. Nixon's office, the President indicated to him that he was aware of attempts by White House officials to cover up the break-in at Democratic National Headquarters on June 17, 1972.

The recordings involved were produced by devices installed in Mr. Nixon's offices and on his telephones more than two years ago to record presidential conversations.

In yesterday's televised Senate Watergate hearings, former Nixon campaign aide Frederick C. Laue testified yesterday that former Attorney Gen. John Mitchell and ousted

White House counsel John Dean shared his awareness of the Watergate cover-up scheme.

Mr. Laue has pleaded guilty to a single count of conspiracy to obstruct justice, the first man to plead guilty in the cover-up.

"I have been impressed by the trustworthiness of your testimony," Sen. Ervin, D-N.C., told Laue. "I cannot refrain from saying I think you have pursued the right course."

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Mr. Laue repeated that he cannot substantiate John Mitchell's claim to have vetoed the wiretapping plans (Continued on page 4, col. 5)

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Sharon to meet Begin on 'joint list' idea

By SHAYLA SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Ariel Sharon, former O.C. Southern Command, is scheduled to meet Herut Leader, Menachem Begin today — apparently on the prospects of creating a joint front for the fall Knesset elections. The interview was requested by Mr. Sharon, who has already had several telephone conversations with Mr. Begin.

Herut circles said yesterday Mr. Begin was not averse to the "broad front" idea but believed it would be hard to achieve at present. The Independent Liberals have already said they will not join such a list.

Shmuel Tamir of the Free Centre said he would be glad to bury the hatchet with Herut but doubted whether Mr. Begin's party would join forces with him. Mr. Tamir told The Post yesterday he was "sceptical" about Mr. Sharon's chances of overcoming entrenched attitudes with his "broad front" idea.

Both Herut and the Free Centre are interested in joining forces with the State List, but that party's leaders have not made a decision yet.

When Mr. Sharon met with Liberal Party leaders on Wednesday, he was advised to "recognize the reality of Israeli politics," Mr. Sharon is believed to be joining the Liberals nevertheless, although he has not yet committed himself.

Meanwhile, Arye Dulz, Jewish Agency treasurer, made things easier for some candidates for the Herut-Liberal slate when he announced he would not be running for the Knesset. Mr. Dulz, who served as Minister without Portfolio in the National Unity Government, has never been a Member of Knesset. But it was suggested that he run on the Gahal list immediately after Simha Erlich, chairman of the Liberal Party Executive.

"But I decided against it," Mr. Dulz told The Post.

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Labour meets on Histadrut campaign

TEL AVIV. — The Labour Party Leadership Bureau declared yesterday that "complete cooperation must prevail between the party's representatives in the Histadrut, the Knesset, the Government and the local authorities." The Bureau was meeting to discuss the outline of the Labour Party's electoral campaign for the Histadrut.

Prime Minister Golda Meir was present at yesterday's meeting, but did not speak.

Uruguay edges Israel 2-1 in football

JERUSALEM POST Sports Reporter
RAMAT GAN. — Uruguay defeated Israel 2-1 in a friendly football game at the close of the Ninth Maccabiah.

The game proved a contrast in styles between the Israeli side, playing for the first time under Coach David Shwartz, and the highly professional Uruguayans.

The visitors played a typical South American game of slow build-up from defence into middle, and the nearer they got to the Israeli goal the more lethal their football became.

Mown for offside, and at half-time Israel was only down one.

In the 50th minute, Israel equalized when Gideon Dantzi surprised Santos with a well-placed shot from 20 metres out. In the 75th minute, the Uruguayan attack again took Israel off balance, when a combination of Milar and Morena came out of defence to score Uruguay's second goal.

USSR settlers start strike over housing

NAHARIYA. — Seven families and a number of single immigrants at the absorption centre in the David Hotel here said yesterday they had started a hunger strike. The strikers, all from the U.S.S.R., claim they were forced to take this step because their demands for housing in the Tel Aviv area were not met.

Several of them said they have been in the country for eight months and have jobs in the Tel Aviv region, but could not move for lack of housing. Some of the strikers are university-trained professionals.

Absorption Ministry sources told The Post yesterday there was no truth in the strikers' claims. They had indeed been asked to vacate the absorption centre, but not before they were offered rental housing in the Tel Aviv area. The quarrel is over their demand for permanent flats, but the Jewish Agency is unable to meet this for lack of flats in the central area.

Pays winners

The IL150,000 grand prizes in the Mafal Espayis lottery were drawn by tickets No. 177643 and No. 604873. No. 361569 won IL50,000. Numbers 248873 and 779781 won IL12,500. Tickets 081240, 304704, 481285 and 502478 won IL6,250. Tickets ending in "0" won IL4.

The following won IL1,250: 161766, 426167, 614950, 790014, 713729, 144333, 408821, 536101, 708595, 342122, 360721, 522075, 689045, 141245, 845147, 494355, 684589, 038500, 300665, 432935, and 613184.

Tickets ending with 11524, 16355, 36208, 41374, 42104, 46958, 53094, 79405, 94581, and 96225 won IL600.

Tickets ending with 0106, 04062, 04612, 04695, 08855, 11558, 11956, 18063, 23141, 31572, 35215, 36162, 36913, 42036, 45769, 46526, 53960, 62068, 72263, 79935, 80834, 92628, 96435, 96941 and 99085 won IL250.

Tickets ending with 0643, 0666, 4071, 7351, 8445, 9587, and 9696 won IL100. Tickets ending with the following four digits IL50: 0418, 1021, 1035, 1325, 1364, 1690, 1902, 2068, 2147, 2449, 2521, 2632, 2801, 3762, 3800, 4153, 4617, 4825, 5056, 5101, 5449, 5932, 6108, 6158, 6190, 6321, 6484, 6763, 6790, 7158, 7197, 7435, 8131, 8482, 8540, 8563, 9074, 9148, and 9449.

THE WEATHER

Yesterday's	Yesterday's	Today's
High	Low	Forecast
28	22	Weather will be sunny along the coast, and warm and dry in the hills and central areas.
Jerusalem	28-22	Similar.
Golan	28-22	
Wahaniya	28-22	
Salaf	28-22	
Hadfa	28-22	
Tiberias	28-22	
Nazareth	28-22	
Arus	28-22	
Shomron	28-22	
Tel Aviv	28-22	
Lod	28-22	
Jericho	28-22	
Gaza	28-22	
Berzheba	28-22	
Elit	28-22	
Tiran	28-22	

Social and Personal

Mrs. Nina Katzir, yesterday gave a reception for participants in the international seminar of the National Women's Religious Organization.

A delegation of the Georgian Immigrants Association, headed by Yitzhak Yedidia, Raphael Bar-Lavie, yesterday called on Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu at his office in Jerusalem.

Frank A. Scott, outgoing Press Attache at the U.S. Embassy, and Mrs. Scott gave a party at their home in Herzliya yesterday to mark the end of Mr. Scott's tour of duty and to introduce his successor, Leonard Lefkowitz.

Our Seasonal Sale will start on Sunday, July 22, 1973. All our clients are cordially invited. Vige Ltd., 23 Rehov Ben Yehuda, Jerusalem. (Advt.)

Stock & Co., Jerusalem invite their customers to a first-choice sale on Sunday, July 22, the official sale starts on July 28. (Advt.)

BAP MITSVA
Dr. and Mrs. Sam Richter with family announce the Bar Mitzva of their son, Alon Gary Richter, on Monday, July 23, 1973, at the Western Wall.

MEMORIAL MEETING
A service in memory of Rabbi Isaac Halevi Herzog was held yesterday at the rebuilt Rabban Yohanan Ben Zakai Synagogue in the Old City, to mark the 14th anniversary of his death. Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren addressed the gathering.

ARRIVALS
Sam Goldsmith, London editor of the JTA News Agency, for a short visit (by TWA).

'Minimal' highway damage to forest

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Labour Minister Yosef Almog told the Knesset yesterday that the proposed route of the new Jerusalem-Lod highway through the Ben Shimon forest, would cause minimal ecological damage to the forest.

He was replying to an urgent motion for the agenda by Gahal's Yosef Tamir on "the rape of the human environment." The motion was later voted to the Interior Committee.

The route was originally planned to go through the centre of Ben Shimon's built-up area. It was more important to spare inhabitants noise and pollution than to save the 21 dunams of forest which would be uprooted for the road, he said.

Mr. Tamir urged that the highway follow its original route, and not pass through the forest.

Tourists cross into Jordan on new visas

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Several tourists have been allowed to cross Allenby Bridge from Israel into the East Bank in the past two days, under a new round-trip programme. The programme was launched this week after Jordanian embassies abroad began to supply tourists visiting Israel with visas enabling them to cross the Jordan bridges to the East Bank and return to Israel.

The first to cross were three Swiss citizens who said they obtained the round-trip document from the Jordanian Embassy in Geneva earlier in the week.

YADIN, SHARON ATTEND ELECTORAL REFORM MEET

By ERNIE MOYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Some 35 professors met at the Hebrew University yesterday to lay the groundwork for an organization which would work to change Israel's election system.

Headed by Professors Yigal Yadin (archaeology), Shmuel Kanef (mathematics) and Yehuda Eisenberg (physics), the group was unanimous in agreeing the present system is not satisfactory. There were differing opinions on what reforms were needed, although a system of regional representation along the British model was favoured by most. Individual responsibility by candidates to the electorate also was a point stressed by many.

Mr. Ariel Sharon attended the meeting and expressed his agreement with the aims of the group. Messages of support were read from Tel Aviv Universities.

Deputy Transport Minister Gad Ya'acobi and from Knesset Members Shmuel Tamir and Yigal Horowitz.

Prof. Yadin said pressure should be put on political parties to give electoral reform an important place on their platforms. As a means of exerting this pressure, voters should threaten to withhold their support, he said.

The group decided to set up an action committee charged with contacting party leaders and propagandizing the idea of electoral reform. It was realized that their efforts would not have much effect before the October elections, but members said they were ready to work for future results.

Most of the professors present were from the Hebrew University, with a scattering of representatives from the Technion and Haifa and Tel Aviv Universities.

Allon discharged today after 'mild heart attack'

Deputy Prime Minister Yigal Allon is to be discharged from hospital today after his physicians yesterday gave him a clean bill of health. A detailed bulletin, issued by the Government Press Office and signed by two Haim Sheba Medical Centre physicians, said Mr. Allon had "recovered from a mild heart attack."

It said his physical condition was very good, and that he could resume all physical work and full public activity without medical restriction. It noted that Mr. Allon entered the Sheba hospital's intensive care unit on June 23 because of pains in the upper abdomen. The next day there appeared changes in his electrocardiograph which soon passed.

Five days later Mr. Allon suffered chest pains accompanied by changes in his ECG. Laboratory tests and ECG developments testified to a mild heart attack, the bulletin said.

"The continuing hospitalization was entirely in order; there were no disturbances in rhythm of the heart, no heart insufficiency, and no changes in blood pressure. The bulletin also said that X-rays of the chest showed the heart was of normal size and form, and there were no signs of heart insufficiency.

"Mr. Allon will return to work after a short rest," the bulletin concluded. It was signed by Prof. Henry Neufeld, Director of the Sheba Heart Institute, and Dr. Mordechai Shani, Director of the Sheba Medical Centre.

Before leaving the hospital at 9.30 this morning Mr. Allon was to receive a delegation of Maccabiah organizers, who intend to thank him for the support he gave them during the two years it took to prepare the event.

Debate asked on Allon's ties with 'Ha'olam Hazeh'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter
Gahal's Knesset faction has requested an urgent plenum debate on revelations by Independent MK Shalom Cohen that reports of a secret meeting between Deputy Premier Yigal Allon, and King Hussein of Jordan, were deliberately leaked to the sensationalist weekly 'Ha'olam Hazeh'.

Cohen said Wednesday that Mr. Allon reported on his meeting with the controversial Avraham "Abraham" Aharonson, who transmitted the information to Cohen, then co-editor of 'Ha'olam Hazeh'. Cohen in turn passed it on to MK Uri Avnery, his co-editor at the weekly and partner on the same Knesset list before their rancorous split.

Both Avnery and Aharonson (who was recently found guilty by a Civil Service Disciplinary Tribunal for running a private information service while heading the Government Information Services in Tel Aviv) have denied all the allegations.

State List MK Yigal Horowitz has tabled a parliamentary question to Premier Golda Meir asking her to comment on the alleged links between the Deputy Premier and the sensationalist weekly.

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Bus firms meet on thwarted fare rise

Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The executive committees of the Egged and Dan bus cooperatives are to meet today to decide what steps to take in their dispute with the Government over their demand for a raise in bus fares or an increase in subsidies.

The cooperatives state the Government had earlier agreed to permit a fare increase or grant a subsidy if there was an increase in operating costs of more than seven-and-a-half per cent during the half year period after the last price adjustment. According to Egged spokesman Mordechai Shifman, there has been a 13 per cent increase in costs since September 1972.

Mr. Shifman said that the Government-owned Egged IL2m, and warned that the buses might not be able to operate much longer if the companies were not either allowed to raise fares or given subsidies.

Airmen jailed for theft

TEL AVIV. — An Air Force Lieutenant and a first sergeant were found guilty yesterday of embezzlement, theft of army property and receiving bribes from army suppliers. They were demoted to the rank of private and received heavy jail sentences and fines.

Samal-Rishon Yitzhak Schneur was sentenced to four and a half years' imprisonment and a IL5,000 fine. Segen Menahem Reichman was sentenced to three and a half years in prison and was fined IL4,000.

Both men pleaded guilty, and this was taken into account by the presiding judges. The prosecution, however, stressed the seriousness of their offences, which had extended over a long period and involved more than IL40,000. The judges also took into account the fact that other senior officers were involved.

A third man, an Air Force captain, was charged along with Schneur and Reichman, but he denied the charges and his trial has been postponed.

The convicted men were found guilty of conspiracy with a number of army suppliers to sign fictitious receipts for undelivered goods and splitting the proceeds. They were also found guilty of receiving bribes from the suppliers involved.

The two men were found guilty of stealing army property worth thousands of pounds and selling it to civilian stores.

The judges stressed the importance of dealing severely with corruption in the army. (Tm)

Livneh, Lehrman appeal convictions

An appeal was lodged with the Supreme Court in Jerusalem yesterday against both the conviction and sentence in the trial last month of Rami Livneh and Mali Lehrman for sentence in the trial last month of men were sentenced to 10 and seven years respectively.

In her appeal, attorney Felicia Langer claimed the conviction was illegal and reiterated the point that she made during the trial: that the meeting with the agent, Ahmed Khalidi, was simply for the purposes of political debate and that her clients had not known he was a member of Fatah. The two were among 33 men, including six Jews, who were tried in connection with a Syrian-backed spy ring. All but one were convicted and jailed.

The Supreme Court has not yet set a date for the hearing of the appeal. (Tm)

Police believe gems stolen in London

By YITZHAK OKED
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Local police investigating the disappearance of \$100,000 worth of diamonds between Lod and London airports this week now believe the diamonds were stolen in London. It was learned yesterday. No arrests have been made.

Israel postal sources claim the mail sacks containing the diamonds were checked before they were loaded on the El Al jet that took them to England, and none of the sacks were tampered with. The El Al spokesman added that the diamonds could not possibly have been carried out while the plane was in flight.

However, The Post learned that there was a lapse of between two and three hours between the time the mail bags were loaded on the aircraft and the time the plane took off. During this time at least a dozen people — stewards, airline and airport officials — had access to the baggage compartment. All of them are now being investigated.

According to Interpol, the diamonds were found missing last Monday at Heathrow Airport when a number of London-bound mail bags were off-loaded. Interpol said the diamonds were on their way to the Zale Corp. of New York.

In London, police stated earlier this week they believed the diamonds had been stolen in Israel or in flight, because dried-up blood stains were found in the mail bags.

DETAILS TO ISRAEL
Police here are unhappy about the way the case has been handled in England. They say London should have sent all the details of the theft to Israel before releasing them to the press. In the information contained in the Interpol telegram — when it finally did arrive — was scanty.

To further confuse matters the Israeli buyer for Zale, Yehuda Appelberg, is not sure it was his diamonds which were stolen — and numerous other local diamond exporters are afraid the missing gems may have been theirs.

Mr. Appelberg said he was "surprised" that the police had not contacted him yet. "All the police had to do to assuage our fears was to check the registered mail form with the post office for the numbers of the packets that were stolen. Every diamond dealer has a receipt with the registration number of his packet, and we could easily find out whose diamonds were stolen."

An average of \$3m. worth of diamonds are sent out of Israel — by mail — every day, one diamond merchant told The Post yesterday.

LIFEGUARDS IN TEL AVIV ON STRIKE

By MACAREE DEAN
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The city's beaches will officially be closed this week-end — and until the strike of the 35 lifeguards ends, the municipal spokesmen announced yesterday. But he added that it would be "impossible to station a policeman or a municipal inspector next to each beach."

It is expected that the beaches will be just as crowded this week-end as they were during the last two, when the guards were also on strike.

The lifeguards went out on partial strike some weeks ago, working only a seven-hour day and refusing to work weekends; but a few days ago they called a total strike to press their demand for higher pay and other benefits.

The Municipality has refused to negotiate with the strikers until they return to work, when a parity committee will be set up to deal with the matter.

The city says the strikers are claiming a 300 per cent increase for holidays and Saturdays (they now receive 150 per cent), as well as telephone, car, drink and food allowances.

A veteran lifeguard now earns about IL2,000 gross a month. He is supposed to work an 11-hour day, seven days a week. But he only works six months a year, while he receives his pay all year long, the city said.

Segev protesters still at Knesset

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We are shocked by the sudden death of

DOV NISHRI
Manager of the Eilat Shore Development Co.
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In deep sorrow, we announce the passing of our beloved
SYLVIA STERN nee Albert
52 Circus Road, London, N.W. 8
The funeral will leave from the Ziv Hospital, Rehov Haanavim, on Friday, July 20, 1973, at 10.30 a.m.
Shiva at 6 Rehov Ben-Labrat, Jerusalem.

SYLVIA STERN
of London
daughter of Lily Albert, wife of Leonard Stern and mother of Jennifer and Elliott
has passed away.
The funeral will take place Friday, July 20, at Har Hamenuhot at 10.30 a.m.

Five hurt in Jerusalem blast: bomb explodes near fruit stall

By AVRAHAM RABINOVICH
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A small home-made bomb exploded yesterday morning in the heart of the crowded Mahane Yehuda market, slightly wounding five persons. Four were released from hospital after first aid treatment and the fifth was kept overnight with superficial lacerations.

Police said the bomb consisted of a soft-drink bottle filled with inflammable fluid and linked to a detonator and timing device.

It was placed in a metal cylinder and left in a shopping bag filled with potatoes beneath a fruit stall in the centre of the market. The explosion occurred at 10:17 a.m. as the market was filled with shoppers making purchases for the Sabbath. Eyewitnesses said there was no panic.

Mahane Yehuda was the scene five years ago of the deadliest terrorist act in Jerusalem, since the Six Day War. On Nov. 22, 1968, a car filled with explosives was detonated on the fringe of the market, killing 12 persons and wounding 52.

Yesterday's blast comes in the wake of a series of security incidents elsewhere in the country this week. Two grenades with delayed action devices were discovered in Haifa cinemas before they exploded and a booby trapped grenade was found and dismantled in Tiberias. In Hebron, a soldier was wounded in a knife attack.

120 DETAINED
Police rounded up 120 persons for questioning immediately after yesterday's blast. By late afternoon, all but 11 had been released. An identikit portrait of a middle-aged Arab woman in Western dress who had been at the scene shortly before the explosion was compiled by police on the basis of descriptions by stall owners in the market and circulated among police units.

Activity at the market returned to normal very shortly after the blast despite the detachments of police and military personnel on the scene. Eyewitnesses said there had been no attacks on Arab bystanders as has occurred after similar terrorist explosions in the past. "I had lots of Arab customers this morning," said Haim Zadok, at whose stall the explosion occurred. "There was no trouble afterwards, no beatings." Forty minutes after the blast at least one shopper in Arab garb could be seen making his way undisturbed



Business as usual in the Mahane Yehuda market after the blast yesterday morning. Haim Zadok, the fruit pedlar whose stall the bomb went off, chats with a customer shortly afterwards. His stall was not damaged. (Rahabim Yisraeli)

among the crowds in the market.

Police Minister Shlomo Hillel, who arrived at the scene shortly after the blast, said the prime objective of such terrorist bombs was not to inflict casualties but to try to thwart Arab-Jewish co-existence. He called upon the public not to play into the terrorists' hands by taking out their feelings on local Arabs.

The blast caused no damage to the fruit stall beneath which it was placed. The only evidence of the explosion was a black patch on the ground.

The wounded who were brought to Shaare Zedek Hospital included an 11-year-old girl tourist from Akron, Ohio, named Cyndi Louisa. She was cut slightly on the knee. The hospital spokesman said Cyndi had been shopping in the market with her sister. Also injured were four Jerusalemites: Esther Melzer, 23, of Ramat Eshkol; Rafael Dahoud, 40, of the Buharan Quarter; Yafa Alegra, 50, of Katamon; and Sara Mizrahi, 44, of Romema. Mrs. Mizrahi, who suffered slight burns on her arms and legs, was hospitalized. The others were released after treatment.



Mayor Teddy Kollek talks with 11-year-old Cyndi Louisa of Akron, Ohio, one of the casualties of yesterday's blast. Cyndi, a tourist, was taken to Shaare Zedek Hospital with a minor knee wound.

Pilot's error caused sonic boom

Jerusalem Post Military Correspondent

The supersonic boom which jolted Jerusalemites on Wednesday night was the result of a pilot's split-second error, The Post learns.

The pilot was taking part in a night interception exercise nearly 30 kilometres east of the city when he broke the sound barrier. Due to the stillness of the night and a slight wind the boom carried over the Capital with tremendous force, leading many to believe that an explosion had occurred. The plane itself came whistling over the city about a minute later.

Apparently the pilot, who was a member of a team of planes "defending" the Capital from "raiders," was slightly off course when he went through the sound barrier, thus causing the explosion to be heard louder than usual. As a rule, Air Force planes do not fly over Jerusalem, being limited to specified air corridors.

Directly after the boom, which occurred at about 11:15 p.m., police headquarters in the Capital, and the offices of The Post, were inundated with calls from worried residents.

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek yesterday called a strongly worded protest to the O.K. Air Force, Aluf Beni Peled, stating that the late night sonic boom had "shaken the city and caused immediate hysteria." He said Jerusalem's sensitivity had been explained in the past and the Air Force had given assurances that such incidents would not recur.

The Knesset, Speaker's power to

strike from the record matters af-

fecting national security would be

widened under a bill which passed

its first reading yesterday. The

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Speaker to strike from the record

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Almogi tables 3 bills in legislative swan song

EXTENDS WOMEN'S BENEFITS

By ASHER WALLFISH
Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Labour Minister Yosef Almogi cheerfully cleared his parliamentary desk yesterday by submitting three items of labour legislation to the Knesset. All were moved to committee on the first reading.

Mr. Almogi is running for Mayor of Haifa on the Alignment ticket in the October elections.

His legislative "swan song" included an amendment to the Women's Work Law which would enable mothers of babies who require special hospital care immediately after birth and the rest after the leave or to split their leave. The extended leave would allow an additional maximum of four weeks. The split leave would provide three weeks after birth and the rest after the baby left hospital.

Another clause adds travel, tour-

ism and conference organization to the job categories in which women are allowed to do night work.

Mr. Almogi's amendment to the Severance Pay Law enables employees who quit their jobs and enlist in the Israel Police or the Prison Service to get severance pay from their former employers. This would give people joining the police the same benefits as those joining the standing army.

The third amendment, to the Emergency Labour Service Law, would extend the list of jobs and enterprises, in defence production and vital civilian services, where a minimum staff is maintained during periods of emergency by exempting a certain number of employees from army call-up. It would also enable pupils of technical schools to be taken into vital defence jobs from the age of 16.

Mr. Almogi said the amendment was based on the experience gained during the Six Day War, when mobilization disrupted vital services both during and after the hostilities.

In other Knesset business yesterday, the House voted to committee on the first reading an amendment to the Knesset Election Law restricting the display of election posters; an amendment to the Local Authorities Ordinance Law, making it possible to compel drug stores to stay open on a roster system on pain of a fine.

The House struck off its agenda a private member's bill by Gahal's Yoram Eridor which would have enabled control and inspection of elections in public bodies (the reference being to the Histadrut, where Gahal has frequently charged vote-fixing by the Alignment).

WHAT TO DO ABOUT KNESSET QUESTIONS?

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Question time in the Knesset is lifeless and uninteresting. Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu told the House Committee this week.

Mr. Yeshayahu, who gave the Committee a series of written proposals to alter the system of parliamentary questions, persuaded it to probe the question time issue during the coming recess.

The Speaker suggested classifying questions as either "urgent" or "ordinary." Urgent questions would be answered within 24 hours, with a maximum further 24-hours extension. Ordinary questions would be answered in 15 days, with a possible 10-day extension.

If a questioner is not present in the chamber at the time the minister replies, the minister would be entitled to reply in writing instead of from the rostrum.

A NEW UHF television transmitter is currently being tested in Haifa's Central Carmel area in an attempt to improve reception in the French Carmel and Ramat Hashan areas.

Viewers in these areas are advised to make sure that their antennas are suitable for picking up transmissions on the new frequency.

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BOURGUIBA'S PALESTINE STATEMENT
HUSSEIN CALLS IT
'STAB IN THE BACK'

Jerusalem Post Arab Affairs Reporter
Jordan's King Hussein last night accused Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba of having "stabbed the Palestinian cause in the back" by his recent call for a Palestinian takeover of the Hashemite Kingdom.

In his first reaction to Bourguiba's charge that Jordan was an "artificial" state, Hussein said that the Tunisian President had subscribed to the conspiracy of the Palestinian terrorist movement which had sought an "alternative homeland" in Jordan. Hussein recalled that the terrorist plot had been crushed when Jordan's army cracked down on the sabotage organizations in 1971.

The King made the remarks in a nation-wide radio and TV speech, few hours after his Parliament approved a government decision to sever diplomatic relations with Tunisia.

The Parliament said it would not make the slightest concession on the unity of the two banks of Jordan or the Arab character of Palestine and the rights of its people. It accused President Bourguiba of undertaking "suspicious activity and secret contacts with Israel."

Hussein said he was especially "pained" by the fact that the call for the elimination of Jordan had come from Bourguiba for whom I had opened the gates of my heart and my country at a time all gates were closed before him in the Arab world.

Hussein appealed to Arab leaders to open their eyes to what he described as plots being "organized in the dark against the Palestinian cause."

Warning of the differences plaguing the Arab people, Hussein said that the Arabs have no alternative but to coordinate their positions in face of these conspiracies.

Women's lib
wins out in
prize money

NEW YORK (AP). — The women will get as much prize money as the men — \$82,200 total with a \$25,000 first prize — in the U.S. Open Tennis Championships at Forest Hills from August 28-September 9.

The announcement was made yesterday by William Talbot, chairman and director of the event, who added that the boost had been made possible through a grant of \$55,000 by a deodorant manufacturer. The company is the Ban Line Division of Bristol-Myers, which provided the grant for what it called "the ban equalizer."

Mr. Talbot, a former Davis Cup captain, called the move precedent-shattering, saying the U.S. Open thus becomes the first major international tournament to offer parity in prize money for the sexes.

The total prize money will approach \$200,000 with each winner getting \$25,000 and each runner-up \$12,000. Last year, Ilie Nastase, the men's champion, received \$25,000 and Billie Jean King, the women's winner, collected \$10,000.

GETTY KIDNAPPER THREAT:
'I'll send one of Paul's
fingers as proof'

ROME (AP). — Police said yesterday a telephone caller told the mother of J. Paul Getty III that he would cut off one of the youth's fingers and send it to her as proof he had been kidnapped.

Getty, 16-year-old grandson of the American oil billionaire, was last seen in Rome on July 9. Since then his mother said she received two phone calls from kidnappers.

Mrs. Getty said the threat was made in a phone conversation on Tuesday.

When she asked how she could be certain Paul was still alive, she said an angry voice replied in Italian: "Well then, I'll send you one of Paul's fingers."

Mrs. Getty's lawyer said she had not heard from the mysterious caller again. She turned to the Italian National Radio Network yesterday to try to contact the persons she believes kidnapped her son.

During a regular newscast the network broadcast a message saying, "We are waiting for further word from the kidnappers. Mother is near you."

Mrs. Getty is divorced from J. Paul Getty Jr. Their son's millionaire grandfather said he would refuse to pay any ransom money because it would only encourage kidnappings.

But Mrs. Getty said the grand father was not involved, and the case only concerned her former husband and herself.

Watergate hoax

(Continued from page one)

Sen. Howard Baker Jr., R-Tenn., on March 30, 1972. Former campaign deputy Jeb Stuart Magruder swore that he approved the bugging plans by Mr. Magruder that he was in then, but Mr. Mitchell said he was not. Mitchell said he was a planned entry into the Democratic National Committee Headquarters in the early morning hours of June 17.

"Yes," Lurie said.

Mr. Lurie said that in June last year he gave Mitchell a rundown of a meeting with Gordon Liddy in which the convicted Watergate burglar gave him details about his role and disclosed other related activities, including a burglary attempt at Senator George McGovern's headquarters.

Mr. Lurie said that shortly after the Watergate arrests on June 17, 1972, he had heard Mitchell tell campaign aide Jeb Stuart Magruder he should burn incriminating files.

But most of Mr. Lurie's afternoon testimony concerned the pay- ments he channeled last fall and winter to the lawyers and families of the seven men charged in the Watergate break-in.

Lurie inherited the job after Mr. Nixon's personal lawyer, Herbert Kalmbach, found it so distasteful that he asked to be relieved of it, according to testimony.

Using the code name, "Mr. Baker," Lurie said he continued the payments, drawing in part on a \$350,000 White House fund.

He also testified that G. Gordon Liddy, the campaign aide who organized the Watergate bugging, offered to lay down his life if necessary to prevent the uncovering of the operation and the damage that it might cause to Mr. Nixon's re-election campaign.

Liddy's offer to permit himself to be murdered was never taken seriously, Lurie testified. (AP, Reuter)

Woman gives away
dollars in Chicago

CHICAGO (UPI). — A woman on Wednesday gave money away on Chicago's Michigan Avenue. A tiny grey-haired woman showed up next to the bridge over the Chicago River and began passing out crumpled dollar bills.

When asked, she said she was Mrs. Gwyneth Morgan from Swansea, Wales. She had just been passing through New York on her way to visit a niece in Chicago — whose first name she couldn't remember, she said.

She stood there during the noon- day rush hour, fishing the dollar bills from a red carpet bag. Each bill was stamped in red ink with a figure resembling a bolt of lightning. But they were real dollars.

Chicagoans raised their eyebrows but took her money. A small crowd gathered round.

"A gentleman in New York City gave me the money to me and told me to give it away," she told a UPI reporter.

She didn't know how much money was in the carpet bag. "The gentleman handed me the paper bag. It was full of money. I didn't bother to count it because I was going to give it away," she said.

After about 15 minutes of handing out money, the woman excused herself to the crowd and said she wanted to eat lunch — a sandwich mixed in with the crumpled bills.

She said she had more dollars which she would distribute later. But she did not return to the same spot.

House votes \$2,800m.
foreign aid bill

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The House Foreign Affairs Committee yesterday approved by a 29-8 vote a \$2,800m. foreign aid bill. It would give the Nixon Administration nearly everything it sought for military and economic assistance to foreign nations.

The bill, expected to be ready for House action next week, is \$108m. short of the Administration's request, but more than \$800m. above the level approved by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

'Border closure
harms Arab
trade in general'

BEIRUT (Reuter). — An Arab conference which met here yesterday to discuss the continued closure of the Syrian border with Lebanon has called on the Arab states not to disrupt transit trade.

A declaration to this effect was taken by an extraordinary conference of the Union of Arab Chambers of Commerce and Industry, which convened here at Lebanon's request.

Ulster bombers
wreck shop for
fifth time

BELFAST (UPI). — Bombers yesterday wrecked a car accessory shop near the centre of Londonderry for the fifth time. A second bomb planted nearby hampered firemen fighting the resulting blaze, an army spokesman said.

He said the shop, bombed four times previously, was almost wrecked in the blast and the large fire it caused. The area had been evacuated after a warning and there were no injuries.

But army explosives experts had to deal with a second bomb, planted in a shop nearby. Firemen had to work from sheltered positions in case the second bomb went off.

In Belfast the militant Provisional Wing of the outlawed IRA claimed responsibility for a bomb blast on Tuesday which killed two British soldiers. Two other soldiers injured in the incident were in "serious" condition yesterday, a spokesman said.

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U.N. C'ttee on Terrorism
dragging its feet

UNITED NATIONS (INA). — The 35-nation U.N. Committee on International Terrorism, which is supposed to submit recommendations to the General Assembly in September, appears to be in no hurry to devise concrete measures dealing with terrorism. The group held its third meeting on Wednesday, but adjourned after a half hour for "consultations" without setting a time for its next meeting.

The committee discussed only procedural matters, deciding to divide itself into regional groups. It held its first meeting on Monday and its second on Tuesday, each lasting only 15 minutes. Aquilino Boyd of Panama was elected chairman, but no other officers were chosen.

The body derives its mandate from a General Assembly resolution of December 1972, which enjoins it to consider observations and "concrete proposals" for dealing with terrorism from member states. So far 38 states have submitted observations, Israel among them.

Israel reiterated its call for an international convention on terrorism — signatories would refrain from sheltering or assisting perpetrators of terrorist acts, and would be obliged to extradite terrorists or bring them to trial.

Lebanon's submission said that with regard to designating an act as an international offence, it "can only express the most serious reservations, to the extent that a given act is part of the struggle of a people fighting to reconquer usurped territories, to drive out an invader, or to obtain its independence."

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Burundi leader
to see Nyerere
over blockade

KUSHEASA. — Burundian leader Col. Michel Micombero flies to Tanzania tomorrow in a bid to negotiate the lifting of the economic blockade with President Julius Nyerere.

Tanzania imposed the blockade in retaliation for alleged incursions into its territory by Burundian troops chasing "rebel elements."

The "rebels" are refugees who fled Burundi's bloody tribal massacres, in which the ruling Tutsis have killed scores of thousands of Hutus, the majority tribe in the East African state.

Tanzania claims the chases undertaken by Burundian army units have often led to the killing of innocent civilians.

Lisbon crowd
shows support
for Caetano

LISBON (UPI). — Dozens of buses from north and south Portugal poured into Lisbon yesterday carrying farmers and factory hands, wives and children to show support for Prime Minister Marcello Caetano on his arrival from London yesterday.

The press urged offices, shops, and cinemas in the capital and elsewhere to close so that as many people as possible could pack the streets around the National Assembly, Caetano was expected to address the crowds.

The display of nationalism is in response to accusations from abroad that Portuguese troops massacred natives in Mozambique. The accusations came shortly before Caetano's departure for London and cast a shadow over the visit that was to celebrate 500 years of Portuguese alliance.

ACCIDENT. — Prince Bernhard of the Netherlands was slightly injured yesterday when his car collided with another at the fashionable seaside resort of Porto Ercole north of Rome. The driver of the other car was in hospital in serious condition.

VIENNA (INA). — A government-owned construction company faces heavy losses in its contract to build a military air base in Saudi Arabia, the Viennese weekly magazine "Wochenpresse" has reported.

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Beirut reports army
clash with terrorists

BEIRUT (AP). — A Lebanese military patrol clashed with "armed elements" yesterday near the village of Tabrieh, the Defence Ministry announced. The patrol returned fire and forced the attackers to withdraw into dense woods. No casualties were reported.

"Armed elements" in Lebanese military parlance usually refers to Palestinian terrorists.

It was at Tabrieh that PLO forces crossed from Syria into Lebanon to help terrorists fighting with the Lebanese army in May.

WATERS. — Tunisia has decided to extend its territorial waters from six to 12 miles, the government said in Tunis yesterday.

Cyprus Gov't
offers Grivas
medical help

NICOSIA (Reuter). — The Cyprus government is ready to offer medical assistance to underground leader General George Grivas, said to be suffering from cancer of the prostate gland and heart trouble, an official spokesman said yesterday.

The spokesman refused to comment on reports that Grivas was gravely ill, but said the government in any case is willing to offer General Grivas medical treatment. Any government medical officer to whom General Grivas may apply can offer his services, and government hospitals are always available.

Reliable sources said, on Wednesday that Grivas was under continual medical care by a Nicosia doctor and had received regular treatment at a Nicosia medical clinic and privately in Limassol and Kyrenia.

General Grivas has been in hiding since he returned secretly from Athens in September 1971 to organize underground groups to carry on an armed struggle for Enosis — union with Greece.

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gestions that they might have a change of heart between now and the autumn.

The next session on October 1 and 2 will be crucial, because the Nine's Council of Ministers will ask the commission for a report on the Mediterranean negotiations when they meet here on October 15.

However, community officials consider that Israel has taken a less adamant line than Spain during this week's opening bout of talks. A joint communiqué issued by the Israel delegation and the EEC last night paid tribute to the large — but vague — measure of agreement on the objectives of the current talks but underlined the differences of opinions on a timetable for tariff dismantlement.

In a speech to the two negotiating teams at EEC headquarters, Ambassador Alon stressed the importance to Israel of free trade with Europe because of the barriers to commerce with her neighbors.

A head-on clash between Israel and France could occur this autumn when Israel argues its claim for equal treatment with the Maghreb countries.

France is certain to retort that the citrus exports of the less industrialized Arab countries should be given privileged treatment.

Besides Ambassador Alon, the Israeli delegation included, Avraham Agmon, Director-General of the Finance Ministry; Gideon Lahav, Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce and Industry; and Simon Amir, Deputy Director-General of the Ministry of Commerce.

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Lod Airport Administration

Change in Road Traffic
Arrangements at Lod Airport

It is announced that the streaming of traffic into and out of Lod Airport will be changed, starting on July 22, 1973 at 8 a.m. Traffic will be one-way, and the exit from the Airport will be via the Customs sheds zone.

Drivers are asked to comply with the new road signs that have been erected in the area, and the markings on the roadway. These new arrangements are designed to make it easier for the public visiting the Airport.



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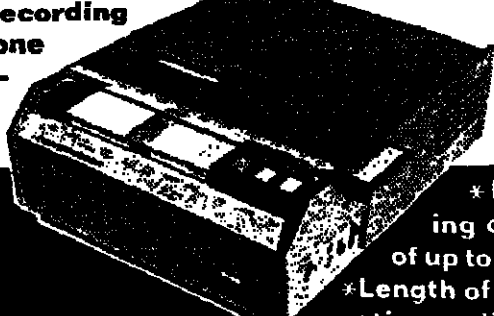
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GERMANY, where there are unpunished accessories
to crime, and people who receive pensions out of
guiltlessness."

— Aharon Meged, Davar, June 15, 1973.

"The horrifying fact of the dismissal of the case
against the high-ranking Nazis who were the
MINISTERS GOUDA MEIR, raised in various forums
the SERIOUS QUESTION OF THE FREEDOM OF
THE GERMANS AND AUSTRIANS (including the de-
stroyer of the VILNA JEWISH Ghetto)."

From a written reply by the ISRAELI AMBASSADOR
in VIENNA, Tel Aviv, dated July 4, 1973, to the
Spokesman of the Vilna Shomrim in Berlin, Tik-
hak Shmueli-Reisenberg.

GESTAPO CHIEF IN WARSAW, Dr. I. Hahn, will
not serve his sentence (12 years) due to "poor
health."

The VIP Nasser, convicted of complicity in the murder
of about 100 Jews in Bratislava, was released im-
mediately, after a jury sentenced them to 6 and 4
years.

A Nazi guard (now a tailor), age 85, accused for
taking part in the murder of Jews near Cracow
(all in conquered Poland) in 1942, was tried by a
court in Stuttgart.

The "Butcher of Lyons," Barbara Altman (identified
by Mrs. B. Kirschtli), the devoted gentle anti-Nazi
fighter) was released from prison in Berlin.

The Chief of State of Paraguay, Stroessner, now a
honourable guest in Bavaria, is still hiding the Bar-
barian, Dr. Mengele.

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TO THE MACCABIAN COMMITTEE

We detected the appearance of the
"UGLY MACCABEANS"
of divided GERMANY. AUSTRIA
(second generation of "Yordim" and deserters from Israel)
holding their flags triumphantly.

As a special "present" to the "Maccabiah" West Germany announced that
the reason we rightly object to his admission to the U.N., that
the planners and perpetrators of the TERRIBLE GENOCIDE, Pre-
war so rapidly released by Luftwaffe last year).

WE RECENTLY SENT TELEGRAMS TO:
The Speaker of the Knesset and the Knesset delegation to Austria.
The Labour Alignment delegation to Germany.
The President of the World Jewish Congress and the Executive
— during the Assembly in Israel

asking them:
WHY are YOU so silent in the KNESSET, in the CONGRESS, and
during the above visits? Why do you not demand the punishment
of the GERMANS, AUSTRIANS and other GENOCIDE BARBARIANS
by LIFE IMPRISONMENT at least?

In contrast to the 600-year boycott of Spain for the "microscopic"
Inquisition, WHY are YOU in such a hurry for "NORMALISATION"
with the GERMANS, AUSTRIANS and "PEOPLES" as long as the GENOCIDE
OF MURDERERS IS ALIVE IN COMFORT and WEALTH?

WE ABHOR IT!
WHY don't YOU send ISRAELI OBSERVERS to the COURTS in GER-
MANY, AUSTRIA, and also in the SOUTH AMERICAN states
where the criminals are making a prosperous living, e.g. the bloody
Gestapo Inquisitor from Lyons!

WHY don't YOU demand SPECIAL GENOCIDE PUNISHMENT LAWS
or THE EXTRADITION OF THE CRIMINALS TO US?

TO THE STATE which granted HONORARY CITIZENSHIP to the
MILLIONS of DEAD, TORTURED and DEGRADED!

It only in EAST GERMANY, which is still hostile (and for this
reason we rightly object to his admission to the U.N.), that
the planners and perpetrators of the TERRIBLE GENOCIDE, Pre-
war in the Garden of EDEN?

WHY don't YOU stop the flow of ISRAELI spokesmen, leaders, Local
Council members, youth and others, the UGLY ISRAELI'S,
tourists who run to Germany — Austria?

We do appreciate the devoted CHAIRMAN of the BERLIN-JERUSALEM
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"The VILNA community remembers" in Free JERUSALEM

Jackson says Soviet wheat deal a 'blunder' swap resumes costing \$1,000m.

WASHINGTON (AP). — The chairman of the Senate Investigations Subcommittee said that monumental government blunders in the Soviet wheat deal cost American food buyers \$1,000m.

Senator Henry Jackson, Democrat-Washington, whose subcommittee opens public hearings today on the wheat sale, said large increases in the price of hamburger, chicken, flour and eggs can be traced directly to the 1972 deal.

"The blunder was born in a climate of government secrecy and bureaucratic negligence," Sen. Jackson told a news conference yesterday. He said President Nixon's new Phase 4 wage-price controls will not work unless the government takes steps to coordinate agricultural exports.

"I believe there has to be some type of control on (export of) critical items that could have adverse effects on American consumers," Mr. Jackson said. "Congress should create a central clearing-house and set standards for such exports."

American are facing significantly higher food prices now that President Nixon has lifted the price freeze from the food industry as part of his Phase 4 anti-inflation programme, observers pointed out yesterday.

Only beef remains subject to strict price ceilings, and then only until September 12. Lifting the freeze from the food industry was Mr. Nixon's first move into his new Phase 4 wage and price controls system.

Reaction from Congressional, labour and business leaders to Wednesday's economic announcement centred mainly around the moves to return food to a free-market situation.

Non-food items will remain under the provisions of the 60-day freeze announced a week ago until its expiration on August 12. At that time non-food goods will become subject to Phase 4 regulations.

There will be price ceilings for petrol, heating oil and diesel fuel under Phase 4, and big businesses will be required to absorb some of its increased costs by cutting down on profit margins.

The President said in a statement: "There is no way, with or without

Nixon returns to work this morning

WASHINGTON (AP). — President Nixon, fully recovered from viral pneumonia, will go to the White House for staff conferences this morning as soon as he is discharged from the hospital, Press Secretary Ronald Ziegler said yesterday.

In a change of plans apparently dictated by Mr. Nixon's desire to demonstrate he is fit, the President will leave the Bethesda, Md., naval hospital about 9 o'clock and drive to the White House for meetings with foreign policy adviser Henry Kissinger and other aides. The President, who originally had planned to fly by helicopter directly from the hospital to Camp David, will not go to his mountain retreat until this afternoon.

controls, to prevent a substantial rise of food prices.

"The evidence is becoming overwhelming that only if a rise of food prices is permitted now can we avoid shortages and still higher prices later," he said.

The objective of Phase 4 was stated as "to moderate the rate of inflation existing during the first six months of 1973 with a minimum adverse effect on supply."

Secretary of the Treasury George Schultz said yesterday that inflation was increasing at an annual rate of about 9.2 per cent at the time the freeze was imposed on June 18, with food prices increasing at the virtually unprecedented rate of 22.4 per cent. He stated that the Administration would make no new forecast for inflation or the increase in food prices.

Mr. Nixon had said in his statement on Wednesday that the increase in prices should be less in the second half of this year than in the first half, and that by next year, "we should be able to achieve a much more moderate rate of inflation."

THAI POLICE NAB 'OPIUM KING OF GOLDEN TRIANGLE'

BANGKOK (Reuters). — Thai police said yesterday they have captured Lo Hing-han, known as the "opium king of the golden triangle."

Police told reporters that Lo was arrested with another man, Sai Due, on Tuesday in the northern province of Mae Hong, on the Burmese border.

Lo and Sai Due had crossed into Thai territory after a clash with Burmese troops who had attacked their opium caravan and wounded 10 of their men, five of them seriously.

Lo, from Burma, once commanded

a private army of more than 1,000 men, engaged in buying opium from hill tribes in the so-called Golden Triangle where Burma, Laos and Thailand meet, police said.

The Burmese army early this year launched major military operations to suppress private armies and opium traffic.

A U.S. narcotics expert, Nelson Gross, has described Lo as an "international bandit responsible for a growing proportion of Asia's and America's drug-caused miseries."

Viet P-o-W swap resumes

SAIGON (AP). — The South Vietnamese Government and the Vietnamese announced yesterday that they have agreed to resume the exchange of captured Vietnamese civilian personnel, beginning on Monday, after a more than two-month delay.

Both South Vietnamese and Vietnamese representatives of the two-party Joint Military Commission met yesterday to Loc Ninh, 120 km. north of Saigon, to inspect a release site there.

The Vietnamese said the South Vietnamese Government would release 900 civilian detainees on Monday at Loc Ninh, which is the main Vietcong headquarters for the southern half of South Vietnam.

Li-Col. Le Trung Hien, chief spokesman for the South Vietnamese military command, said plans call for the exchanges to be completed by July 28 to meet a 45-day deadline specified in the joint communiqué signed a week ago in Paris. He said that the Vietcong will release 252 civilian personnel and 410 military men at a dozen different sites across South Vietnam.

He said the South Vietnamese side would free 4,331 civilian personnel and 33 military men at Loc Ninh and Thien Ngon, another Vietcong-controlled zone near the Cambodian border, 72 km. west of Loc Ninh.

The last prisoner releases took place on May 11, then were halted in a dispute over numbers to be released and sites.

In a political development in Washington related to the Indo-China war, the U.S. House of Representatives defeated President Nixon's threat of a veto and on Wednesday approved a 120-day limit on a president's power to commit U.S. combat forces abroad without Congressional approval.

Rejected were a crossfire of amendments from opponents contending the War Powers Bill was both too strong and too weak. Then the full bill was passed 244 to 170.

U.K. manhunt for 2 child-killers

LONDON (AP). — British police launched a nation-wide dragnet yesterday for at least two different child-killers, including a "maniac" who strangled and sexually assaulted two 11-year-old girls.

In Durham, a coal-mining county in Northeast England, more than 100 officers combed Sunderland City for the girls' murderer. Detective Chief Superintendent Jack Collinson, leading the manhunt, warned: "Far be it from me to spread panic, but this man, or perhaps men, could strike again to kill a child. He must be caught."

The battered bodies of Gail Ganley and Sandra McCormick were found dumped in a ditch five kms. from their suburban Sunderland homes on Tuesday night. Collinson said they had been strangled, beaten over the head with a sharp-toothed weapon and sexually assaulted.

In South Wales, detectives searched for a "midnight runner" who may have murdered 16-year-old factory worker Sandra Newton. Her battered body was found in a culvert five kms. from her home in the village of Cimla early on Sunday.



Under the watchful eyes of three Greek policemen, Miss Israel Limor Sharir, rehearses in Athens on Wednesday for the Miss Universe contest which takes place tomorrow night. Limor has been under constant guard ever since she arrived in the Greek capital. (AP radiophoto)

Bus plunge into river kills 43

VIENNE, France (AP). — Divers and firemen who worked through the night had recovered 40 bodies yesterday from the Belgian tourist bus which plunged into the rain-swollen Romsch River on Wednesday night. Three bodies were still missing.

The final toll of the accident was put at 43 dead and six survivors. One of the survivors was listed as in serious condition in a Grenoble hospital.

The Belgian group had been on a pilgrimage to the Notre Dame de La Salette shrine in the Grenoble region. As the bus descended a sharp grade leading to the bridge over the river, it suddenly picked up speed and hurtled through the guard rail, falling 20 metres into the water. Some 40 persons have died in previous accidents at that spot on the road.

One survivor, Albert Degreve of Nevelles in Belgium, said he smelled something burning before their bus plunged through the guard rail. He said: "During the descent we felt the bus was going too quickly and several passengers shouted to the driver 'Albert, don't be silly.' It was then that I smelled an odour of burning from the floor and realized the driver had trouble." (AP, UPI)

New charges against Janie Jones

LONDON (UPI). — Blonde singer Janie Jones, her former husband and another man were ordered to stand trial at the Old Bailey yesterday by the Magistrates' Court which heard eight days of testimony against them.

New charges were filed against Miss Jones, bringing the total to 29. They include abetting prostitution, blackmail, attempting to poison her former husband and obstructing justice.

Five charges against Eric Gilbert, a 42-year-old former court clerk who lived at Miss Jones' London home, were dismissed by Magistrate Edward Robey. Gilbert and songwriter John Christian-Dee, 34, were allowed bail. Judge Robey denied bail to Miss Jones after police objections that she might interfere with witnesses.

The charges grew from investigation of alleged sex and money "payola" payments to BBC personnel to induce them to play certain records on the air.

Five call girls allegedly under Miss Jones' control testified in graphic detail at the Magistrates' Court trial about orgies at top London hotels and at Miss Jones' home. Two men, one a peer, testified to giving her money to prevent their names being publicized.

Tug tows Acali raft into Caribbean

BRIDGETOWN, Barbados (AP). — The participants in the Acali experimental raft, waited yesterday for a tug to tow them from the Atlantic into the Caribbean.

The 20-by-36-foot raft, carrying six women and five men for a three-month study in human relations at close quarters, reported on Wednesday that it was 73 miles southeast of Barbados. Search planes had been unable to find the Acali on Tuesday, but officials said that was because the sea was too rough for the Acali's crew to fix their position accurately.

The North Equatorial current carried the raft from the Canary Islands, but a tug was needed to tow it into the South Equatorial current which will take it on to the Yucatan Peninsula.

EMERALDS. — The Colombian Government has closed the country's two largest emerald mines following a military takeover of Boyaca province to stamp out gang warfare. Police estimated that 500 murders were committed there during last year.

Platform shoes 'can kill'

LONDON (UPI). — The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents issued a warning on Wednesday to women drivers that platform-soled shoes can kill.

"The exaggerated thickness of the sole means the driver has no feel for the pedals and has great difficulty in distinguishing between the brake and the accelerator," it said. "This could have tragic consequences."

'Assad wounded in attempted assassination'

BEIRUT (UPI). — Two Beirut newspapers said yesterday that Syria's strong-man President Hafez Assad suffered a leg wound in an assassination attempt on July 10.

The afternoon newspaper "Le Sol" said the original report carried by the morning newspaper "L'Orient-Le Jour" was confirmed "by Arab diplomatic circles in Beirut."

The reports said "rebel" army units, otherwise unidentified, fired on President Assad's car as he was returning from northern Syria to Damascus in a motorcade.

"Le Sol" said Gen. Abdel Monem Ibrahim, a close collaborator of the 46-year-old president, fired the shot that wounded Mr. Assad in the left leg.

"L'Orient-Le Jour" said Gen. Ibrahim was among some 300 officers and non-commissioned officers arrested following the attack.

A government statement issued in Damascus on Sunday night said President Assad was admitted to hospital on July 11 for an operation to remove a varicose vein in his leg. It said he left the hospital three days later.

Kapitsa develops 'hot plasma' for nuclear reactors

MOSCOW (AP). — Soviet physicist Pyotr Kapitsa has developed a "hot plasma" of ionized gases that is expected to be the basis of nuclear reactors of the future, Tass reports.

The agency said the 78-year-old scientist created a "dazzling column" of plasma six to eight inches high that lasts for hours at high temperatures. It is produced in installations hundreds of times smaller than those currently used, the report said.

Plasma, an ionized gas that conducts electricity and is affected by magnetism, is used to produce thermonuclear reactions. The gas is composed of roughly equal amounts of electrons and positive ions.

USSR recognizes new Afghan Republic

NEW DELHI. — The U.S.S.R. became the first country to recognize the new Republic Government in Afghanistan, Radio Kabul announced yesterday.

Monitored and re-broadcast by Radio Pakistan, the announcement said the Soviet Ambassador in Kabul called on Lt. Gen. Sardar Mohammed Daud Khan, leader of this week's coup, to convey Moscow's decision.

Soviet support for Daud's government was expected. During a 10-year stint as Prime Minister from 1953-63, Daud steered Afghanistan closer to Moscow than most other Afghan governments. The landlocked central Asian country traditionally follows a non-aligned foreign policy, accepting extensive aid from the U.S.S.R., the U.S. and China. Most of Afghanistan's weapons comes from the Kremlin.

Recognition by the U.S.S.R. gives a big boost to the new regime that already had taken steps to solidify its position.

Meanwhile, tanks and troops were yesterday reported inside the Kabul

palace of Afghanistan's deposed King Zahir, two days after his overthrow. But the streets of the capital were said to be quiet, with troops patrolling and roadblocks in place. The troops surrounded the main post office and the sending of cables or mail was banned.

Prime Minister Mohammed Musa Shafiq and his Cabinet are believed here to be under arrest.

Diplomatic sources here, quoting messages from the Afghan capital, said a main airbase at Shindad, 850 kms. southwest of Kabul, was believed still loyal to the King.

There are conflicting reports about the fate of the King's son-in-law, Prince Abdul Wali, who commanded the Kabul army garrison and the palace guard. Diplomatic sources here said the Prince is reported to have put up a stiff fight against rebel troops until his home came under shell fire.

Some unconfirmed reports said he had been captured and escaped injury, while earlier reports said he had been wounded or killed. (AP, Reuters)

Kurdish self-rule by next March, Iraq says

BAGHDAD (Reuters). — Saddam Hussein, vice-president of the Iraqi Revolutionary Command Council, has stated that all efforts would be made to bring about self-rule in predominantly Kurdish areas by March 11, 1974. "There will be no changes in this deadline," Hussein told a press conference.

President Bakr said in a speech earlier this week that the coming year would witness the full implementation of the March 11, 1970 proclamation which settled the Kurdish problem. He said that this included "granting self-rule to our Kurdish people within the framework of the Iraqi Republic."

Hussein, who is also a Bath Party leader, announced unlimited support for the Palestine terrorists and the recovery of "usurped Arab territories to their legitimate Palestinian owners and to other Arab states whose land was occupied, whether in the Golan, West Bank or Sinai."

Commenting on calls by Tunisian leaders for the establishment of a Palestinian State based on the U.N. 1947 plan, and on the question of holding negotiations with Israel, Hussein said Iraq rejected the idea

of "recognizing part of the theft in return for recovering the other part for the real owner."

The Iraqi leader said his country was ready to be the first among other Arab states to use oil as a weapon in the battle against Israel.

But, he added, this depended on "a small number of Arab states which agree, under a unified plan for liberation, to use oil as a weapon in the battle."

Referring to his country's relations with neighbouring Iran, Hussein said: "We are ready to establish a real dialogue and hold direct contact with Iran without any mediators, provided it fully recognized our sovereignty and gives up the policy of expansion and occupation."

He added that Iraq did not believe in the use of force in resolving problems with its neighbours, but it would use "all weapons" should its sovereignty be violated.

STARFIGHTER. — The West German armed forces lost their 150th F104 Starfighter jet yesterday when the plane crashed near Ingolstadt in Bavaria, the Defence Ministry announced in Bonn. The pilot parachuted to safety.

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A 'guardian angel'



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Fat profits for building contractors

David Krivine reveals how apartments costing the contractors only IL98,000 are to be sold for IL180,000 in Kiryat-Ono.

THE NEW housing project built on the "Mexican system" in Kiryat-Ono is practically complete and the 160 units will shortly be up for sale. Though constructed by a private firm, the BR-Israel-American Building Company, the work was commissioned by the state-owned Housing and Development Company. And they plan to sell the dwellings for a substantial profit.

BR belongs to Messrs. Lou Boyar and Sam Rothberg who planned to use a quicker and therefore more economic construction system as a way of reducing costs. They assumed that prices, too, would be reduced. The method is to cast the walls on site out of cement, instead of laying building blocks one on top of the other by hand. Another innovation is that, except in the bathroom, a PVC covering is used for the floors instead of hand-laid tiles.

To provide thermal insulation (in place of the hollowness of building blocks) the company introduced a new device: they mixed a type of pumice-stone into the concrete. This is the spongy basalt found in the Golan Heights. Not all the houses are built that way, for the idea was only thought

up after construction had begun. Elhanan Klein, BR's Managing Director (and former Chief Engineer of the Army) is confident that this type of insulation is quite sufficient under the climatic conditions prevailing in Israel's coastal strip and residents will not know the difference.

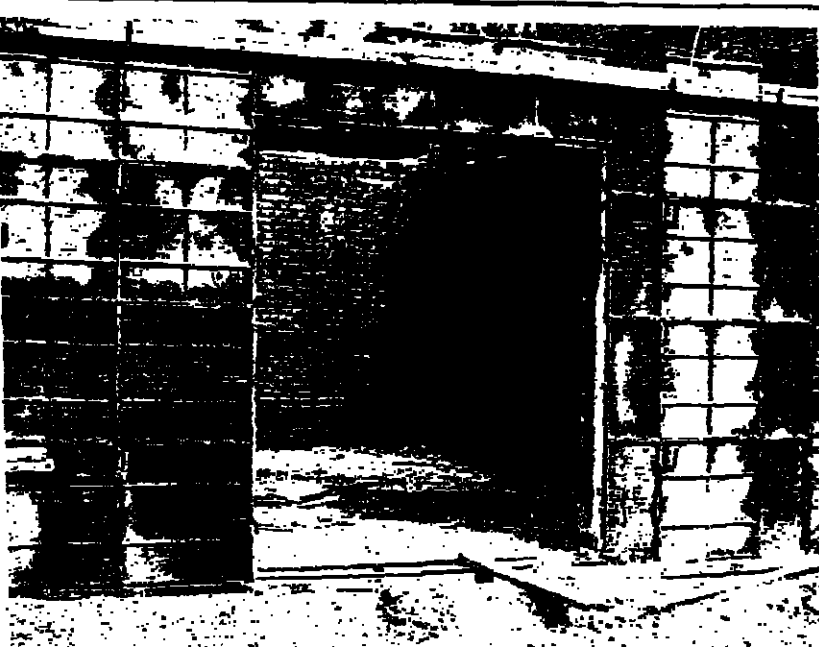
Apart from that, the soundproofing is better with concrete, because the walls are heavier, more solid. And concrete does not chip or flake. Spray-painted in very light pastel shades (some buildings pink, some yellow and some grey) the cottages look extremely trim.

Five rooms

Each of the two-storey, semi-detached units has five rooms (four of them upstairs), with a second washroom on the ground floor, and a laundry room. Floor area is 122.5 sq.m. and plot area 200 sq.m., which allows for a rather diminutive strip of garden back and front. The question is how much will H. and D. charge for these homes?

Building costs came to IL98,000 per unit. But this is not the operative figure for fixing the sales price.

Mr. Avraham Kahanoff, head of



Walls are cast on the site out of cement, instead of laying building blocks.

H. and D. says: "Our method is to find out the current market price and charge a bit less — perhaps ten per cent less." The going market rate in Kiryat-Ono, according to the company's valuers, is IL200,000. So the homes should sell for IL180,000. The Housing Ministry would like to drop the price a bit, to IL175,000. It is no great kindness to charge IL175,000 for a building whose construction cost only IL98,000, including planning and development. Greater details were not available from the company because, they say, calculations are not yet completed. Judicious inquiries, however, revealed the following.

Land in this area costs — market price again — about IL150,000 a dunam. As each cottage occupies one-fifth of a dunam, that comes to IL30,000 a unit. Financing costs add some IL10,000. According to our guess work the total should come to IL98,000. So H. and D. will be making over IL35,000 for costs of supervision, stamp and other duties, and profit. Multiplied by 160 units, that comes to almost IL6m.

Firm answer

The question is, why should the Lands Administration receive as much as IL30,000 from each customer for the plot, and the state-owned housing company as much as IL35,000 for its services?

Mr. Kahanoff's answer is firm. "The true price of a property is its market price, fixed by the interplay of supply and demand. Subsidies are given only to occupants of what is called in Israel 'popular housing.' These cottages are for well-to-do people. If we arbitrarily cut, let us say IL50,000 off the price, there would be more applicants than we can cope with. We'd need to arrange a lottery. And whoever won would get an asset worth on the open market IL50,000 more than he paid for it."

Michael Talmon, of the Lands Administration, says the same. "Why are prices so high in Kiryat-Ono? Because people want to live there, and not in Raanana. We offer land in the outer suburbs for about IL5,000 per dwelling-unit. But everybody wants to live in the best districts. So selection is through price."

The authorities believe it is not reasonable to let Mr. Cohen have a five-room cottage with a garden for say, IL125,000, when Mr. Levy has to pay that sum for a four-room flat on the sixth floor. Such a practice creates distortions in the price pattern. The problem is not just that prices are high in this particular project, but that they are high all over.

"But wouldn't a lower figure for Kiryat-Ono push prices down generally?"

"No," says Kahanoff. "These 160 units are all we have for sale in the upper-price category. We generally build popular housing only. We may have a dozen expensive penthouses and that is all — out of 18,000 units that we are handing this year. There

fore our policy here can do nothing to change the general price situation. Selling cheap would just subsidize speculation."

The fall-guy

Mr. Talmon adds: "The question is, who will be the fall-guy? We use the profit to create new reserves of land, through purchase, replanning, and development. Ought we instead give that money away as a present to some chance customer?"

The problem of booming prices of property and big gains for landowners is not new. And the determining factor in the market price is not what the seller wants but what the buyer is prepared to pay. Says Talmon: "We sell land by auction in some cases, to the private sector. Should we sell to the lowest bidder?"

In Jerusalem, Netanya and elsewhere, the Lands Administration offered plots for construction at the current market price, as fixed by the Official Valuer. A year or two later, they were attacked in the press, because the market price for land had risen in the meantime, and they were accused of selling too cheaply.

What the Kiryat-Ono figures reveal is that housing companies — or at least those which manage to squeeze into the good areas — are making fat profits. Conventional construction is not much more expensive than BR's concrete houses, because the cement aggregate costs more than building blocks. But BR's financing expenses are lower, because they build in one year, while other firms take two years to complete. (This is the merit of Mr. Boyar's system, that it saves Israel's two scarcest commodities: manpower and time).

Mark-up

The same cottage, built by conventional methods, would therefore cost IL20,000 in financing costs, so total outlay would be IL150,000 — leaving (at a selling price of IL200,000) a mark-up of IL50,000 per unit for the housing company. Yaacov Tamir, Income Tax Commissioner, cautions: "You must take into account that the big gain is partly used up in financing the inflated expenses of higher land — and building — costs for the next apartment block. Still, builders' profits have certainly been on the rise in the last few years."

Nothing will change the problem of high prices in desirable areas — not even nationalizing the whole building industry, because the man who is prepared to pay the most will get the property in the end.

Recently, an elderly gentleman we know tried to sell his two-and-a-half room flat in Ramat Gan. It took him three months to find a willing customer. The opening inquiry on the telephone every time was, "Is it a luxury flat?" The price he got in the end was IL75,000. Apparently his place was not situated in a sufficiently recherché area of Ramat Gan.

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WHERE 6,000 JEWISH SLAVES WORKED Move to widen Corinth Canal

By JOHN CAIR

THE Roman Emperor Nero sent an engineering team to the Greek Isthmus of Corinth with orders to dig a channel 40 metres wide to accommodate the merchant galleys that sailed to the corners of his far-flung empire.

But although the Isthmus of Corinth is only six kilometres across — separating two important arms of the Mediterranean Sea above the great land mass of Peloponnese — Nero's engineers could never bore deep enough into the sandy rock. Nero himself even set aside his fiddle and lifted the first shovel of earth with a golden spade, subsequently leaving the job to an army of 6,000 Jewish slave labourers from Judaea.

However, anything resembling a canal was not finally cut through the Isthmus until 1903. A six-kilometre-long ribbon of shimmering water between two beeling 260-foot vertical cliffs, it measured a mere 232 metres in width and got into the reference books as "the world's shortest canal."

Now, more than 1,900 years after Nero, the Corinth Canal Company is asking funds to double it — to a width of 48 metres.

Even in its present ribbon-like form, the Corinth Canal is enormously useful. It slices up to 215 kilometres off voyages between the much-frequented Aegean and Adriatic Seas — for the medium-sized ships that can squeeze their hulks into the constricted space. But for the big passenger liners carrying tourists to Mediterranean sun spots and the jumbo tankers hauling oil to



the world. Thirteen years later, the canal company collapsed, broken by colossal debts. Creditors put it up for auction in Paris. The National Bank of Greece snapped up the company for one million gold francs (73 million had been spent on the project) and formed the present managing company.

For the traveller sailing through it, the Corinth Canal is an awesome spectacle still. As the ship enters the dark, smooth gorge, the engines fall to a murmur and speed drops to a crawl.

The walls of layered rock are so close, a passenger at either rail can almost touch them. The boat inches along at very low speed. Even a slight acceleration can raise waves that slap hollowly against the canal sides and dislodge chunks of sandy rock that plummet down and splash into the ship's wake.

Far above the ship are perched two frighteningly flimsy bridges — one for the road and one for the single-track railway that connect mainland Greece with the Peloponnese. The lines of tourists swarming the bridges paralyze local life. One of the major problems attendant upon a widening of the canal would be the halting of road and rail traffic between the two main regions of Greece that only the Isthmus connects.

But with the big tankers already hooting on the refinery quays, the canal authorities feel that the temporary disruption of traffic will be a reasonable price to pay for the long-term tourism and trade benefit that they hope will accrue to Greece from a newer, wider, Corinth Canal.

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CONTROLLING INDUSTRY'S IMPACT ON HUMAN LIFE

By DAVID KRIVINE

THE problem in Israel's young economy up to now has been how to create new enterprises. The time has come to start asking another question — how best to create new enterprises, taking into account the impact on people, resources, society, environment and the nation's future.

This is called, in modern parlance, "technological assessment," according to Professor David Lieberman, of Illinois University. He completed a year as Fulbright Lecturer at the Hebrew University this month.

Dr. Lieberman's field is actually physical metallurgy, but he has become increasingly caught up in the wider problem of assessing what industry is doing to human and social life. The issue has risen sporadically in Israel, but in a highly emotional form. A recent example is the public outcry that held up the construction of Reading D power station in Tel Aviv.

"The suspicion and hysteria" were caused by fear, because something was happening which nobody understood and for which no agency was responsible. The job of the Israel Electric Corporation was to provide current, not to worry whether fumes from their smokestacks might make eyes water in North Tel Aviv. Professor Lieberman says the fumes and the "suspicion and hysteria" were left on the periphery; they must become the subject of systematic study.

This is the creed he has come to spread. Last month he was a symposium on the subject at the Weizmann Institute in Jerusalem. The

Minister of Commerce and Industry, Haim Bar-Lev, gave the best defence of technological assessment when he said that it is enough for somebody to make an outcry, perhaps for political reasons, against a project, and the public assumes that the project is harmful. Dr. Lieberman gave the answer when he opened the conference: "We are not anti-technology," he said. The object of assessment is "to maximize the beneficial effects, and minimize the negative effects."

A beginning has been made, thanks largely to Professor Jack Gross, scientific adviser to the Minister of Commerce and Industry. There is now a rule in the Ministry that any industrialist planning to invest (or expand) must first submit an environmental impact statement. This is examined by a special unit in the National Physical Laboratory, under a new immigrant from the U.S., Alvin Skop. Next time, the IBC, which has built a power station, will have to make a preliminary study on what the smoke may do to eyes and lungs — and all the other environmental considerations.

Dr. Lieberman welcomes this, but wants to cast the net wider still. Pollution is not the only problem that needs systematic study. One speaker at the symposium took as an example Tel Aviv's proposed subway. Are there possible alternatives to the subway, like reducing the size of Tel Aviv? Dr. Lieberman does not give the answers. He wants an institutional framework established — to ensure that these ques-

tions are asked, studied scientifically, and answered.

One framework is the still-new School of Applied Sciences at the Hebrew University. He sees it as "a bridge between science and society." The problem of technological assessment is "breaking down barriers" between subjects. The old tradition is to keep all topics separate in watertight compartments. The medical practitioner knows nothing about sociology, the engineer knows nothing about economics. Therefore they cannot effectively communicate.

Dr. Lieberman is a passionate advocate of inter-disciplinary teamwork. This is beginning to happen at the School of Applied Sciences. Physicists and chemists studying for their masters degrees have to put in 60 hours of economics. Dr. Lieberman wants more of this. Industrial development must be thought about by a team comprising an engineer, a physicist, a biologist, an economist, a sociologist, a political scientist, an urban planner, a public health doctor, a specialist in transport problems. To create that atmosphere of co-operation, each of them must have at least a rudimentary knowledge about the other disciplines.

The problem of thinking about consequences extends into every sphere of the nation's life. All subjects are gripped by Dr. Lieberman's mill — the five-day week, new housing, estates, eating habits, the pace of TV on family life, the wage problem. Nothing is simple, everything has secondary and tertiary effects that must be thought about.

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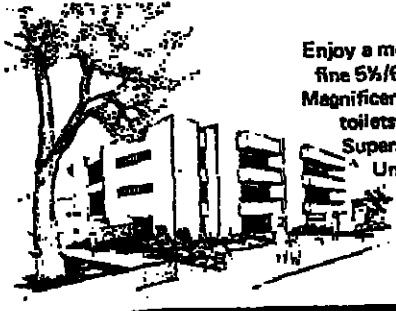
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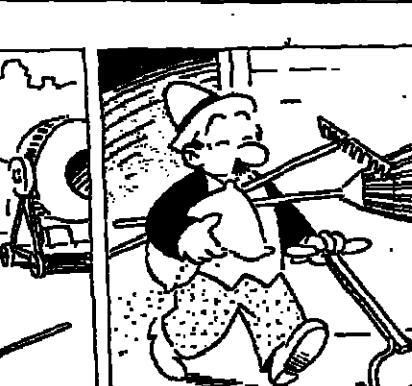
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the field of operation has been moved abroad, where security is more diffuse. Even there the targets seem to be unclear.

A heavily-armed terrorist tried yesterday morning to enter the El Al office in Constitution Square in Athens. He was observed by a Greek policeman after he came through the first door — and the second, security door was closed against him. When he tried to slip out his original plans for the details which cannot have been studied very fully, he ran for shelter in the Amalia Hotel next door. There he took everybody he found to serve him as hostages, waving a hand grenade and machinegun at a mixed gathering of tourists, policemen and chambermaids.

He demanded that a member of the Greek Government fly to an Arab country with him, but after some time he was apparently satisfied to be sent off safely to Damascus by Arab diplomats stationed in Athens. The latter are now themselves under some suspicion, on the grounds that the terrorist must have been given the gun in Athens, as he could not have brought it in through customs.

It is significant that the whole episode caused no great stir in Europe. There have been too many deaths — in Vietnam, in Ireland — at the hands of terrorists, even on the roads. In Mahane Yehuda, the Jerusalem market, women continued their Sabbath eve shopping within half-an-hour of the explosion even there yesterday morning, even if they were angered and troubled.

There has been too much murder, and it is beginning to lose some its political power.

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